Town of Rowe - FY2013

Board of Selectmen – Minutes Monday, August 20, 2012 –5:00pm – EMERGENCY MEETING Rowe Town Hall

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Chairman Abbott at 5:25pm.

Present: Chairman Noel Abbott, Vice Chairman Paul McLatchy III, and Selectman Marilyn Wilson

Withdrawal of Injunction: The Board of Selectmen called an Emergency Meeting to disposition a civil action the Town of Rowe had against both Mohawk and Hawlemont concerning the Three District Shared Services Agreement. The 3RDA had been signed by the Rowe School Committee on June 22, 2012, which it was believed had negated the need for the injunction. However, the necessary paperwork withdrawing the injunction had never been filed at the Greenfield court house by town counsel Brody, Hardoon, Perkins & Kesten. Chairman Abbott reported that Attorney Kesten is now filing the appropriate withdrawal paperwork.

It was formally voted at the August 17the Selectboard meeting to withdraw the injunction, and this meeting was called to review and approve letters to both Hawlemont and Mohawk informing them of this formal vote. The letters were unanimously approved (3/0/0), and signed. Ms. Miller will email letters to Judy Willis following the meeting.

School Options going forward: Options for housing Rowe students for the immediate future were discussed (see attached). School begins on Wed, August 29th, so decisions need to be made immediately. The Selectboard will meet again on Thurs, August 23rd at 2pm and the School Committee meets that same day at 5pm. Both meetings are at Rowe Town Hall.

Treasury Matters: Ms. Miller reported that Unibank called her this morning stating that for the last 3-4 weeks they have been leaving voice messages and sending emails to Ms. Cousineau stating that there have not been sufficient funds in the bank account to cover several payrolls. They have been covering these payrolls, but stated they should not be doing so. Ms. Cousineau has not responded to any of their messages. Also, the State Veterans office called Ms. Miller today. They have been trying to reach Ms. Cousineau since last March. She has not returned any of their phone messages or emails. Since last March the monthly reporting to the State Veterans office has been required to be submitted on line by the Treasurer, but Rowe has yet to comply. Selectman Wilson offered to take care of these matters.

Adjournment: The Selectboard voted unanimously (3/0/0) to adjourn their meeting at 7:04pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen B. Miller Town Coordinator

Approved.

Noel R. Abbott, Chairmai

Paul McLatchy III

Marilyn Wilson

Date Approved

Attachments:

Agenda

Letters to Mohawk and Hawlemont re withdrawal of injunction